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RE: Application Serial No.: 09/927,632

Applicants: Yoshiyuki MATSUNAGA, et al.

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For: IMAGE SYSTEM, SOLID-STAGE IMAGING SEMICONDUCTOR INTEGRATED CIRCUIT DEVICE USED IN THE IMAGE SYSTEM, AND DIFFERENCE OUTPUT METHOD USED FOR THE

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SIR:

Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

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In response to the restriction requirement of August 20, 2004, Applicants elect the Species of Figs. 35-36, corresponding to claims 7, 37, 38, 67-80 and 87. Examination on the merits is in order, and an early and favorable decision is earnestly solicited.

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